Kashmir are traditional mulberry cultivating states accounting for about 85% of mulberry acreage in the country.

(b) In order to supplement the effort of the State Sericulture Deptts., the following schemes are being implemented by the Central Silk Board to increase cultivation of mulberry:

1. Supply of Mulberry cuttings to State Sericulture Deptts. at subsidised rates.
2. Supply of mulberry saplings to farmers at subsidised rate under Kisan Nursery Programme in selected districts.
3. Supply of improved varieties of mulberry cuttings to states free of cost for propagation of new mulberry varieties.

(c) An incremental target of 0·25 lakh hectares has been fixed for mulberry acreage during the current financial year. However, the extent of achievement will be known only at the end of the financial year on the basis of the progress reports to be received from the State Sericulture Departments.

State(s)

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Overdrafts of States

2337. SHRI T. J. ANJALOSE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the amount of overdrafts of States as on June 30, 1991, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): No State was in overdraft by the end of June, 1991.

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Shifting of Professional Processing Unit of International Finance Corporation

2338. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are aware of the International Finance Corporation's (I.F.C.) proposal to shift its professional processing unit from Washington to India; and

(b) if so, the reasons advanced by the I.F.C. to the Union Government for such shifting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) and (b) The International Finance Corporation is considering expanding its Regional Mission in India to enable it to undertake more investment promotion and project processing work in response to the needs of its clients in the region.

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Export of Leather goods from Tamilnadu

2339. SHRI R. JEEVARATHINAM: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the foreign exchange earned from the export of leather goods from Tamil Nadu during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to develop the leather trade and introduce modern equipment for leather manufacturing in Tamil Nadu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) The exports of leather and leather products from Tamil Nadu during the last three years have been as follows :

Year	(in Rs. Crores) Exports
1988-89	753·88
1989-90	847·75
1990-91	1211·63

(b) The steps taken by Government of India include facilitating the import of machinery, equipment and raw material building up infrastructural facilities and directly assisting exporters in their efforts to promote exports.

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Waiving of Loans under Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief Scheme

2340. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether only the instalments due on October 2, 1986 and unpaid and not the whole amount due on that date were covered under the Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief Scheme, 1990;

(b) the number of beneficiaries and the total amount waived as on March 31, 1991, State-wise; and

(c) the number of beneficiaries included in (b) above who remained indebted and the total amount outstanding against them, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) The Agricultural & Rural Debt Relief Scheme provides *inter alia* for writing off of chronic overdues also. The 'chronic overdues' according to the Scheme cover instalment(s) of loans due for repayment upto October 2, 1986 and remaining unpaid on that date and *not* the whole amount of loan outstanding.

(b) and (c) As on 1-7-1991, 3.03 crore beneficiaries who are farmers, weavers and artisans, have been provided relief to the extent of Rs. 7560·88 crores, by the Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks and Cooperative Banks. Position regarding number of beneficiaries and the amounts waived state-wise is given in the attached statement. Under the Scheme, the debt relief is provided in full upto a maximum limit of Rs. 10,000 per borrower and in case the relief amount to the maximum amount is not sufficient to clear the entire amount in default, the balance amount is to be repaid by the borrower. In the case of first category of borrowers, the dues are fully settled and in the case of second category of borrowers, there would be a balance to be repaid. The reporting system does not yield information on such category-wise lists of beneficiaries.

Statement

Statement showing the State-wise number of persons who have been provided relief and the amount involved under the Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief (ARDR) Scheme, 1990 as on 19th July, 1991.

Name of State/ Union Territory	No. of persons given relief	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
Andhra Pradesh	29,51,666	88255
Arunachal Pradesh	12,157	216
Assam	5,08,442	11863
Bihar	37,31,001	82368
Goa	19,101	437
Gujarat	13,52,728	49942
Haryana	5,99,086	23371
Himachal Pradesh	2,77,942	5571
Jammu & Kashmir	33,811	824
Karnataka	15,92,305	49425
Kerala	8,45,101	16061
Madhya Pradesh	19,14,150	46338
Maharashtra	28,78,901	77208
Manipur	79,019	1310
Meghalaya	71,652	1676
Mizoram	6,396	265
Nagaland	50,101	949
Orissa	21,60,832	38576
Punjab	4,63,699	19727
Rajasthan	19,17,714	53088
Sikkim	9,394	268
Tamil Nadu	19,71,771	53194
Tripura	1,49,479	2445
Uttar Pradesh	51,63,306	104653
West Bengal	15,03,896	26270
Chandigarh	3,363	111
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2,798	33
Daman & Diu	1,115	14
Delhi	11,117	456
Lakshadweep	91	3
Pondicherry	41,643	1065
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	4,847	106
Total	3,03,28,624	756088

Export of Handloom Cloth

2341. SHRI J. CHOKKA RAO : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) The quantity of handloom cloths exported to different countries during 1989-90 and 1990-91 together with its cost, country-wise; and

(b) The respective participation of each apex organisation in the said export effort together with the quantity and cost of cloth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) : (a) The exports of cotton handloom fabrics